

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title : Rental Estimation Method

**REPLY**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated December 29, 2008. **An extension of the deadline for response to the Office Action is respectfully requested pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the appropriate fee is submitted herewith.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. *No additional claims fees are due.*

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.